

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2006, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following remarks. Claims 1 and 2 are currently pending. No new matter has been introduced.

The Examiner considers claims 1 and 2 to be allowable; however, the Examiner has also provisionally rejected claims 1 and 2 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-7 of co-pending application No. 10/083,868. Applicants have filed a Terminal Disclaimer in co-pending application 10/083,868, a copy of which is attached. Also attached is a copy of the response filed in that application. Accordingly reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

A favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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